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Programme for development of Industries.

* 371 *Q.*—SRI T. M. DAIVASIKHAMANI ACHARIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have drawn up any programme in regard to the development of industries, big and small; and

(*b*) if so, whether the Government will be pleased to place it on the table of the House showing also the industries classified as Village Industries, Cottage Industries, Basic Industries, Small-scale Industries and Large-scale Industries?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.

" (*b*) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the Draft Second Five-Year Plan for Madras State which has been submitted to the Planning Commission and copies of which have been circulated to all hon. Members of the House."

Recommendations of the Taxation Enquiry Commission.

* 372 *Q.*—SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance and Education be pleased—

(*a*) to lay on the table of the House a summary of the recommendations of the Taxation Enquiry Commission with regard to (i) State finances and (ii) local finance; and

(*b*) to state what steps have been taken by the Government to implement the same?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM (on behalf of the Hon. the Minister for Finance) :—" (*a*) Four sets of the Report of the Taxation Enquiry Commission (Volumes I to III) are available in the Madras Legislature Library; Volume III of the Report contains the recommendations of the Commission in regard to State Finances as also Local Finances together with a summary.

" (*b*) The recommendations of the Commission are under the consideration of the Government and it will take some time before a decision is reached on each of the proposals."

SRI K. BALASUBRAMANYA AYYAR :—" May I know whether Government could supply us copies, even for cost 11–20 a.m. because, it is a big report of 500 pages and it deals with the important matter of taxation? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" I do not know if copies are available for sale. I shall look into the matter."

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM :—" May I request the Hon. Minister to indicate to us the steps taken by Government to improve the finances of District Boards and Municipal Councils? "